

June 23, 2003
 Recessed Meeting

Minutes

Members Present: 4
 Lloyd Davis-Chairman
 Brent Hunter- Vice-Chairman
 Josh Baity - Commission
 D.C. Swaim- Commissioner

Members Absent: 1
 Johnny Myers- Commissioner

Others Present:
 Cecil E. Wood, County Manager/Clerk to the Board
 James Graham, Attorney
 Melinda Vestal, Assistant Clerk to the Board

Chairman Davis called the recessed meeting back to order. Chairman Davis informed the Board that Commissioner Myers would not be here.

Commissioner Swaim had the invocation. The Board had the pledge of allegiance.

Public Hearing-budget

Chairman Davis opened the public hearing stating this has been a tough budget year. There have been some drastic changes with drastic cuts.

Chairman Davis discussed the COPS Program. He informed the Board about a letter he received from Sharon Robinson, Washington DC, regarding the program. The letter states the county is obligated to continue the program one year after the grant runs out. Chairman Davis asked Ms. Robinson what would happen if the county could not fulfill the obligation? She informed Chairman Davis of specific reasons the county would be excused for not meeting the obligation. Chairman Davis stated that lack of funds was not one of the reasons.

Commissioner Swaim asked why was the money not set aside as stated in the grant? Why wasn't anyone aware of this until now?

Chairman Davis stated he did know not about the obligation until he started researching.

Sheriff Cain stated he and Mr. Wood signed for the grant. The grant was applied with the assistance of the Board of Education.

Mr. Wood stated he has been discussing this matter with Congressman Burr's office.

Commissioner Swaim stated the Board is obligated to fund the positions for one year.

Chairman Davis stated there should have been 25% set aside each year when the grant was accepted. Chairman Davis stated the county needs to respond to the letter within thirty days.

Commissioner Baity inquired about raising the tax rate one cent.

Commissioner Swaim asked are there any other grants which have this type of requirement? He does not want the county to face this again.

Allen Sneed, citizen, stated the county has an obligation and there is no way out but to fund the positions.

Chairman Davis closed the public hearing.

Mr. Wood made a statement on behalf of Commissioner Myers. Commissioner Myers expressed to Mr. Wood that he appreciated all the hardwork done on budget and he supports the budget as presented.

Chairman Davis inquired about the allocation for Richmond Hill Law School.

Mr. Wood stated there are no funds budgeted at this time. They did request \$10,000 this year; previous year was \$8,000. Mr. Wood informed the Board that he could find \$8,000 to upkeep Richmond Hill Law School.

Commissioner Baity inquired about bills brought in after the funds have been expended?

Mr. Wood stated those bills could be paid out of public buildings.

Roger Evans, Richmond Hill Commission member, stated the building has to be a certain temperature to keep furniture in current condition. The Commission had the understanding that the heat pumps would be replaced.

*Chairman Davis made the motion to allocate \$8,000 to the Richmond Hill Law School. Motion died due to lack of second.

Mr. Wood asked the Board to allow Information Services to increase the salary line item and decrease contracted services and other services. There were no overall changes in the total dollars.

*Commissioner Baity made the motion to approve the request for information services. Commissioner Swaim seconded. **The Board voted 4-0.**

Budget amendments**Elder Affairs**

Description	Account Number	Original Budget	Increase/(Decrease)	Amend
Revenue: Telephone	5810-3210	\$1450	(\$325)	\$1125
Expense: Salaries- part-time	5810-1260	\$8055	\$300	\$8355
FICA	5810-1810	\$830	\$25	\$855

Line item adjustment-no new funds.

Register of Deeds

Description	Account Number	Original Budget	Increase/(Decrease)	Amend
Revenue: Appropriated Fund Balance	3991-9910	\$4,150,186	\$10,850	\$4,161,036
Expense: Salaries	4180-1200	\$125,385	\$10,075	\$135,460
FICA	4180-1810	\$9,882	\$775	\$10,657

To amend salaries due to vacation payout for Register of Deeds and Deputy Register of Deeds.

Public Building

Description	Account Number	Original Budget	Increase/(Decrease)	Amend
Revenue: Appropriated Fund Balance	3991-9910	\$4,110,836	\$39, 350	\$4,150,186
Expense: Contract Services	4260-1990	\$15,000	\$1,350	\$16,350

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Janitorial Supplies	4260-2110	\$8,000	\$1,000	\$9,000
Telephone Service	4260-3210	\$1,000	\$5,300	\$6,300
Utilities-Electric	4260-3310	\$28,000	\$6,000	\$34,000
Repair&Maint-buildings	4260-3510	\$37,500	\$20,750	\$58,250
Repair&Maint-equipment	4260-3520	\$1,000	\$550	\$1,550
Serv&Maint contract	4260-440	\$4,000	\$4,200	\$8,200
Cap. Outlay-equipment	4260-5500	\$2,500	\$200	\$2,700

To amend due to increased costs. Also, roofing for Farm Service Building. To amend for backflow preventor installations for County Buildings.

*Commissioner Swaim made the motion to approve the budget amendments. Commissioner Hunter seconded. **The Board voted 4-0.**

Health Department- budget amendment

SUMMARY:	<u>Acct. #</u>	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Increase <Decrease></u>	<u>Amended Budget</u>
<u>Administration</u>				
Miscellaneous	5110.4991	1000	<1000>	-0-
Workers Comp.	5110.1860	3274	2800	6074
Salary_	5110.1200	139,302	2500	141,802
Ins./Bond	5110.4510	5600	700	6300
Fire Insurance	5110.4560	-0-	2500	2500
<u>Maternal Health</u>				
Salary	5163.1200	162,300	<7500>	154,800
<u>Nursing/Medical</u>				
Student Stipend	5111.4960	1000	<1000>	-0-

Capital Outlay	5111.1500	1600	<1600>	-0-
Workers Comp.	5111.1860	2200	3800	6000
Salary	5111.1200	36,550	8000	44,550
FICA	5111.1810	2799	300	3099
Insurance	5111.1830	4000	500	4500
<u>Child Health</u>				
Salary	5160.1200	185,343	<4800>	180,543
Insurance	5160.1830	29,600	<1200>	28,400
<u>Maternal Health</u>				
Salary	5163.1200	154,800	<4000>	150,800
<u>Health Promotion</u>				
Supplies	5150.2600	1500	300	1800
Transportation	5150.3920	-0-	50	50
Salary	5150.1200	16,857	<350>	16,507
<u>BCCCP</u>				
Contract Services	5151.1990	4164	1000	5164
Supplies	5151.2600	2000	2000	4000
Salary	5151.1200	18,749	<3000>	15,749
<u>Child Health</u>				
Telephone	5160.3210	950	100	1050
Salary	5160.1200	180,543	<2590>	177,953
<u>Child Health Imm.</u>				
Supplies	5162.2600	5614	<300>	5314
Supplies-Vaccine	5162.2604	-0-	200	200
Salary	5162.1200	12,318	2200	14,518
FICA	5162.1810	945	90	1035
Insurance	5162.1830	1800	300	2100
<u>Communicable Disease</u>				
Salary	5120.1200	19,565	2500	22,065
FICA	5120.1810	1497	300	1797

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Retirement	5120.1820	1174	200	1374
Insurance	5120.1830	2000	1200	3200
401K	5120.1840	196	100	296
<u>Child Health</u>				
Salary	5160.1200	177,953	< 4300>	173,653
<u>Maternal Health</u>				
Delivery Service	5163.1992	5500	1000	6500
Insurance	5163.1830	23,800	<1000>	22,800
<u>Family Planning</u>				
Contract Services	5164.1990	-0-	400	400
Travel	5164.3120	1500	400	1900
Insurance	5164.1830	16,600	<800>	15,800
<u>WIC Nutrition</u>				
Salary	5166.1200	15,229	8500	23,729
FICA	5166.1810	1166	600	1766
Retirement	5166.1820	915	400	1315
Insurance	5166.1830	2000	1000	3000
<u>Family Planning</u>				
Salary	5164.1200	129,772	<10,500>	119,272
<u>WIC Client Services</u>				
Insurance	5167.1830	13,600	<3500>	10,100
Salary	5167.1200	85,563	2500	88,063
<u>WIC Breastfeeding</u>				
Salary	5168.1200	5647	800	6447
Insurance	5168.1830	1000	200	1200
<u>Maternal Health</u>				
Contract Services	5163.1996	5800	<400>	5400
Supplies-Baby Bucks	5163.2612	2800	400	3200
<u>Child Health</u>				
Salary	5160.1200	173,653	<1287>	172,366
Supplies (SS)	5160.1600	1600	1287	2887

<u>Nutrition</u>				
Salary	5169.1200	1437	1000	2437
FICA	5169.1810	110	100	210
Retirement	5169.1820	86	50	136
Insurance	5169.1830	200	200	400
<u>Family Planning</u>				
Salary	5164.1200	119,272	<1350>	117,922

These are budget revisions to move line items around to balance budget. There are no additional county funds involved.

Ms. Brown informed the Board that an additional \$45,000 cut to her budget would mean cutting a currently filled position.

*Commissioner Hunter made the motion to approve the budget amendment. Commissioner Swaim seconded. The Smoking Grant was removed. **The Board voted 4-0.**

Mr. Wood reminded the Board of the meeting with the Board of Education on June 30th at 6:30 at Sydney's.

The Board directed the discussion back to the COPS Grant.

Mr. Graham stated based on the requirements of the grant, the county is to keep the program running one year after the grant runs out. If the requirements of the grant are not met, the county could be in jeopardy of having to repay the entire grant amount (\$500,000). The county could also jeopardize receiving any other federal funds.

Commissioner Baity asked where will the money come from?

Mr. Wood stated he is not sure because the budget has been cut to the bare necessities. Other cuts will result in more personnel cuts.

Commissioner Baity stated the Board can look through the budget and make the cuts this morning or raise taxes.

Mr. Wood stated the funds could come from the fund balance, but the county is already at the low-end of the amount required by the State.

Commissioner Hunter asked the Sheriff if he had any money left in his budget?

Sheriff Cain stated he may have around \$50,000 to \$70,000, but can't give an exact amount at

this time.

*Chairman Davis made the motion to take the funds from the fund balance.

Commissioner Baity asked what will this do to the county's requirements/obligations?

Mr. Wood stated this could lower our rating for bonds and have an effect on how the county borrows money.

Commissioner Swaim seconded.

Commissioner Hunter asked the Sheriff if he had a clerical position he could eliminate?

Sheriff Cain stated no.

Motion and second withdrawn.

Commissioner Hunter stated the Board will make additional cuts to the budget.

Ray Hudspeth, citizen, inquired about the county buying the Sara Lee building.

Mr. Wood stated a proposal to purchase the building is being reviewed; nothing has been finalized. The County, the Town of Yadkinville and participating banks would own the building together. They would have control of the type of business occupying the building. The county does not need a distribution center creating only five jobs, however it does need a manufacturing company which would create one hundred fifty jobs.

Mr. Hudspeth asked how would the county pay for the building?

Mr. Wood stated that decision has not been made.

Commissioner Baity suggested cutting funds to non-profit organizations, YVEDDI, Crossroads, postpone capital outlay projects and to the departments.

Mr. Wood suggested to the Board that he would be willing to go back through the budget and make the cuts.

Commissioner Baity stated he appreciated Mr. Wood offering to make the cuts but he thinks the Board should find and make the cuts.

The Board reviewed the budget to locate the funds needed. Several options were discussed.

Chairman Davis called for a break.

*Chairman Davis made the motion to borrow \$100,000 from the Enterprise Fund which will be paid back over the following two years. This is to amend the Sheriff's budget which will cover the cost of the COPS program, not to exceed a twelve month period. This would satisfy the county's requirement. Commissioner Swaim seconded. **The Board voted 3-1. Commissioner Baity opposed.**

Commissioner Swaim asked if the budget for the 2003-2004 Fiscal Year is a workable budget?

Mr. Wood stated the county would make the budget work. He has confidence in the department heads to continue to do the best job with the available funds.

*Commissioner Swaim made the motion to approve the budget for the 2003-2004 Fiscal Year amending the Sheriff's budget and the enterprise fund. The tax rate will remain at \$0.64. Commissioner Hunter seconded.

Commissioner Baity inquired about the allocation to the schools?

Mr. Wood stated the schools will receive \$5,978,826 which is a ten percent decrease from last year.

The Board voted 3-1. Commissioner Baity opposed.

Commissioner Hunter asked to be excused from the July 7th meeting. Chairman Davis excused Commissioner Hunter from the meeting.

Mr. Wood presented Commissioner Baity a plaque of his accomplishments while serving as Commissioner for Yadkin County. Mr. Wood commented that Commissioner Baity has been very dedicated in serving Yadkin County and its citizens. His efforts and leadership will be missed.

Chairman Davis stated it has been a privilege serving with Commissioner Baity. He has been an asset to the County and the Board is losing a good member.

Commissioner Hunter wished Commissioner Baity well in his endeavors.

Commissioner Swaim thanked Commissioner Baity for serving his county. It has been a pleasure to serve with him.

Attorney Graham stated Commissioner Baity has put in a tremendous amount of time serving his county. Attorney Graham commented this is the most thankless position because you never win, no matter what you do because you cannot please everyone.

Commissioner Baity stated this has been a real learning experience. He encouraged the Board to find the right person to fill his seat; someone who is willing to serve the citizens of Yadkin

County. Commissioner Baity stated he has put in a lot of hours serving the citizens. It has been a privilege, but it is time to move on.

Allen Sneed, citizen, quoted “Power is the ability to do good for others”. He stated this fits Commissioner Baity.

Adjournment

*Commissioner Baity made the motion to adjourn. Commissioner Swaim seconded. **The Board voted 4-0.**

Cecil E. Wood, County Manager/Clerk to the Board